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VIA EMAIL

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Re: FOIA Request dated 1/17/19

Dear J Ader:

I am responding to the request for documents under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") statute that was received by the Cook County State's Attorney's Office (the "SAO") on January 17, 2019 via e-mail.

You have asked for:

For the Prosecutors Management Information System (PROMIS), please provide me with the following information:

- Name(s) of the underlying engine(s) being used (eg, Postgres, mySQL, mariadb, cockroachDB, MongoDB, Oracle database, sybase, MSAccess, SQL Server, VoltDB, RethinkDB, Chronos, Elasticsearch, etcd, cassandra, etc)
- Names of software that connect to each DBMS
- Names of departments that use information within the DBMS
- Schema of database (preferably, with granularity down to column names - please also provide this data as machine readable, for example, within a .csv)
- Contract identifier for each database, if relevant

The SAO is not in possession of a document which contains much of the information you seek. The only way to compile the most of the requested information would be to create a document. While the FOIA requires a public body to produce documents (5 ILCS 140/3(a) ("Each public body shall make available to any person for inspection or copying all public records, except as otherwise provided in section 7 of this Act."), the FOIA does not require a public body to provide answers to questions or create documents. In Kenyon v. Garrels, 184 Ill. App. 3d 28, 32 (4th Dist. 1989), the Illinois Appellate Court noted, "...the Act is not designed to compel the compilation of data the governmental body does not ordinarily keep." See also: Chicago Tribune Company v. The Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, 2014 IL App (4th) 13042, ¶ 34. This position is included in the plain language of Section 1 of the FOIA: "This Act is not intended to create an obligation on the part of any public body to maintain or prepare any public record which was not maintained or prepared by such public body at the time when this Act becomes effective, except as otherwise required by applicable local, State or federal law." 5 ILCS 140/1.

However, as a courtesy to you we will address each item in your request herewith:

- The name of the underlying engine is DB2.
- The programmatic interface is cobol-based. The workstation client software is Zephyr Passport 3270 Emulator.
- The only known department within the SAO using it on a regular basis is Sex Crimes.
- The SAO located no records responsive to this portion of your request, but is herewith providing the most closely related document it possessed, the PROMIS data layout. That document is accessible for review and

download at: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/fdov3hh95x0ch0m/AAA7cocYlqIPICCgjzS8f7ca?dl=0>.

- The SAO located no responsive records

Sincerely,

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